

RAZORS AT A PICNIC.

Colored Exursionists, All Church Members, in a Panic.

Their Barge Boarded by a Gang of White Ruffians, Uninvited.

Several Clergymen on Board and Two Men Slashed.

Two colored ministers and a number of their congregations were in the Harlem Court to-day to witness the arraignment of Paul Dowers, a white man, aged twenty-eight years, of 221 East Ninety-seventh street, who was charged with having clubbed two men during a row on board a barge in the East River last evening, which was returning home from a colored picnic.

The members of the congregations of the Ebenezer and Day Star colored churches, of this city, went on an excursion yesterday morning to Grand View, on Long Island Sound. The excursion was in charge of Rev. R. A. Cramm and Rev. A. R. Brown, of the respective churches.

They boarded the barge Warren at a pier on East River and stopped at several landing-places on the way up. The last stop was made at Ninety-seventh street, East River, where a large number of young men in rough appearance boarded the barge.

There were on board at that time between 600 and 800 people.

No liquor was sold on board the barge, but the gang of ruffians appeared to be plentifully supplied with wine and beer, which they passed around among themselves.

The trip to Grand View was marked by no particular act of violence. Plenty of beer, however, was imbibed by the ruffians and in a short time they were while at the grounds. When they climbed on board for the return trip the ruffians seemed to be in a surly mood.

Police men Jackson and several officers of the City Hall police station had been detailed to maintain order during the excursion.

When opposite Fort Schuyler last evening a big row broke out among the white and colored ruffians on the upper deck.

The men, women and children of the church and Sunday-school rushed below to escape becoming involved in the rumpus. The policemen, on going to the upper deck, found a free fight in progress.

Knives, canes, razors and flats were flying about everywhere. The policemen waded in and after considerable difficulty succeeded in restoring order.

It was then found that Acra Cox, a colored coachman, aged twenty-three years, of 414 East One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, had been knocked into insensibility, and William Miner, also a colored man, twenty-eight years old, of Lawrence street, had been stabbed in the breast.

No one appeared to be positive as to who inflicted the injury upon these men, but somebody told that Paul Dowers was the guilty party, and he was placed under arrest.

When the barge landed at Ninety-seventh street Dowers was taken to the nearest station-house and locked up. Miner, who has been stabbed, was removed to Manhattan Hospital. Although his wound is not deemed to be dangerous, he was not able to appear in court this morning.

The colored ministers and several of the excursionists were in the Harlem Court to-day to witness the arraignment of Paul Dowers, a white man, aged twenty-eight years, of 221 East Ninety-seventh street, who was charged with having clubbed two men during a row on board a barge in the East River last evening, which was returning home from a colored picnic.

CAME HERE TO DIE.

Suicide in a Lodging-House of a Stranger from Boston.

Registered at 656 Third Avenue To-Day as "McDonald."

A Few Hours Later He Shot Himself in the Head.

A man about thirty-five years old, of light complexion, brown hair and mustache, and dressed in a dark gray sack suit, entered the lodging-house at the corner of Third avenue and Forty-second street early this morning and engaged a room.

He entered the name McDonald on the register, but did not set down initials. About 6 o'clock the report of a pistol was heard in his room, and Policeman Graham, of the Twenty-first Precinct, was called in.

Upon entering the room he found McDonald was lying on the bed with a bullet wound in the right temple.

An ambulance was summoned from Bellevue Hospital and the man was removed. He was still alive, but unconscious. He died at 10:30 o'clock.

The weapon he used was a 32-calibre Colt's revolver.

McDonald was not known at the lodging-house, and the only marks that would seem to indicate where he came from was the word "Boston" stamped upon a card which he had placed on the table.

It is believed from this fact that the man came from Boston early this morning.

He never recovered consciousness and he was found with a bullet wound in his head. He was about five feet eight inches in height, and weighed about 150 pounds. He wore laced shoes.

BANK EXAMINER'S SUICIDE.

William Miller Shoots Himself After Finishing His Work.

(By Associated Press.) ALTONA, Aug. 17.—Bank Examiner William Miller, who has been working on the accounts of the suspended Second National Bank of this city, for the past two weeks, committed suicide at 10 o'clock to-day by shooting himself through the head.

He had just returned from dinner, and after taking a moment with J. H. Levan, President of the bank, in the private office, walked into the counting-room. A moment later a shot was heard, and Mr. Levan entered the room, Miller was lying on the floor with blood and brains oozing from a hole through his head.

He had just completed the examination of the affairs of the bank and submitted the result to Washington.

Examiner Miller's home was at Mercersburg, Pa. He was about forty-five years of age, and was appointed a Bank Examiner about two years ago, succeeding Hugh Young.

took carbolic acid by mistake. James Butler, a baker, sixty years old, of 117 East Fifty-third street, took a dose of carbolic acid by mistake for medicine last night. Two doctors were called, but he died before they arrived.

Actress Lizzie Lanning Dead. (By Associated Press.) PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—Lizzie Lanning, a variety actress, aged forty years, who formerly lived at Waterbury, Conn., died suddenly to-day of cholera, at the latter's residence in Norristown, Pa.

HE FLIRTS TO ARREST.

Officer Davidson Is Ambitious in Civilian's Attire.

Locked Up Two Women Who Resented His Overtures.

Censured by Justice Hogan and May Have to Answer Charges.

There have been several complaints against Policeman John Davidson, of the West Thirtieth street station, recently by prisoners who claimed that they had been unjustly arrested and charged with soliciting.

About a week ago "Aggie" Silvia, who is well known in the Tenderloin, contended before Justice Voorhis, of Jefferson Market Court, that she had been wrongfully taken into custody.

To-day there was another complaint against Davidson, who was sent out last night in civilian's clothes in quest of women who were violating the law.

Early this morning Davidson found Mirnie Collier and Stella Raymond at Twenty-third street and Sixth avenue. He arrested Miss Collier, and induced Policeman Logan, who was with him, to arrest the other woman. Davidson charged his prisoners with soliciting. Both women were locked up.

At Jefferson Market Court to-day Miss Collier told Justice Hogan that Davidson had spoken to her while she and Miss Raymond, who claims to be a member of the "Passing Show" road company, were waiting for a car.

Miss Collier indignantly told Davidson that she was a woman of good character, and the officer showed his badge and placed her under arrest.

Bystanders protested, but Davidson persisted in taking her to the station. He also insisted that Logan take the two women and censured the officer. Miss Collier said she would prefer charges against Davidson.

FOUND HIS SON DEAD.

An 80-Year-Old Bavarian Homeless in a Strange Country.

Joseph Shappe, a Bavarian, eighty years of age, was taken to the bar of the Gates Avenue Police Court, Brooklyn, this morning on a charge of vagrancy. Policeman Stephen Garvey, of Liberty avenue station, found Shappe wandering about the streets late last night. As he could give no account of himself, the officer took him to the station. This morning the prisoner explained who he was, and told a pitiable story.

Ten years ago, while living in a little Bavarian village, he said, his son set out for America. He located in Pittsburgh, and after establishing a home sent for his aged father. Some time ago the man sold his belongings and started to join his son, only to learn that while he was on the ocean his boy had died.

Since that time he has worked around the truck farms of Kings County. He said there was a place in Austria where would be cared for, and Justice Quigley permitted him to go.

"PEEPER" AT CITY ISLAND.

Seen Looking Through a Window by a Young Woman.

Shotgun Now Kept Ready for a Midnight Prowler.

CITY ISLAND, N. Y., Aug. 17.—Ezra Waterhouse dwells in a handsome residence on East Prospect street, overlooking the Sound. Mr. Waterhouse has four handsome daughters, who have a host of friends and entertain a great deal. About 12 o'clock on Wednesday night, after guests who had spent the evening at the house had left, and a portion of the family was preparing to retire, two of the daughters and Edward Stinson, of Mount Vernon, were assisting Mr. Waterhouse in making preparations for a trip up the State to his vineyard.

Suddenly one of the girls gave a scream of fright and exclaimed: "Some one is looking in the window!" All rushed to the window, but no one was there. Later the face was again seen at the window, but disappeared as quickly as before. It then flashed across Mr. Waterhouse's mind that his wife, a few nights previous, had seen a man walking in the garden towards the house.

The house faces the water and the grounds are protected by a seawall. Mr. Waterhouse asked the man what he wanted, but he made no reply, and jumped over the seawall and escaped.

Mr. Waterhouse determined to catch the intruder if possible, and Mr. Stinson, who is somewhat of an athlete and a good shot, grabbed a gun and, in company with Mr. Waterhouse, ran out to catch the man. The fellow was too quick for them however, and got away. They searched the grounds thoroughly, but found no further trace of the prowler.

Miss Waterhouse says the face of the "peeper" appeared that of a fairly intelligent man, and she thinks she would know it again. A shotgun is now in readiness for him should he return. Since it became known that a "peeper" has visited the Waterhouse family other families in the neighborhood have made complaints of a similar visitation. A sharp look-out is being kept for the man.

BAILIFFS APPOINTED.

Marshal McCarty Has Partially Enrolled His Staff.

United States Marshal McCarty to-day announced the following official re-appointments and appointments on his staff. He prefers that they be called "bailiffs," and not Deputy United States Marshals.

Reappointed—John E. Kennedy, Chief Bailiff; John Dowsley, Bailiff; Frederick Jernhard, Bailiff for the Service of Warrants in Extradition Cases. New appointments—Richard Walters' Sons, Sheriff's Auctioneers and Appraisers.

Other appointments will be made gradually, and it will probably take several weeks to complete the list. The salaries of the bailiffs now in office have not been paid for five months, and they are anxiously waiting for the signing of the Deficiency bill by the President.

United States Bailiffs are paid \$50 a month salary, and also get a percentage of the surplus of the Sheriff's office allowance over expenses. Sometimes this percentage amounts to \$20 a month to each bailiff.

Pennsylvania Limited to Chicago. The Pennsylvania Limited is the only train now in service between the East and the West that offers all the conveniences and luxuries of a strictly limited express. It furnishes all the comforts of a home and the civilities of a club.

SHE WOULDN'T ELOPE.

Mrs. Trafeggio's Lover May Be Her Husband's Murderer.

Sareno's Attempt to Collect a Debt Causes Bloodshed.

He Says He Was Forced to Defend His Own Life.

Fernando Trafeggio lies at the point of death in Presbyterian Hospital, the result of repeated stab wounds inflicted by Nicolio Sareno.

Trafeggio's pretty young wife declares that the stabbing was caused by Sareno's insulting proposal to her that she desert her husband and elope with him.

Sareno says that he asked Trafeggio to pay back borrowed money; that the latter drew a revolver and he used a stiletto in self-defense.

Trafeggio makes a statement to the effect that when he told Sareno that he could not repay the loan at present, Sareno drew a stiletto and assaulted him savagely.

Trafeggio is thirty-eight years old, a laborer, and lives at 425 East One Hundred and Eleventh street. His throat is cut and there are wounds on the head, back and shoulders. The hospital doctors reported this morning that there is little chance of his recovery.

Trafeggio was stabbed in a hallway in front of his own door about 6 o'clock last evening by Nicolio Sareno, a bricklayer, forty years old, of 424 East One Hundred and Twelfth street. The assault occurred at the house, but was afterwards captured by Detectives Smith and Moore, of the East One Hundred and Fourth street station.

According to the story told by the police and witnesses, a quarrel ensued between the men over the collection of a debt. Trafeggio, it is said, owed Sareno \$200. Sareno went to Trafeggio's house last night to get his money. They met in the hallway, where a dispute arose over the amount of the debt.

Hot words followed, and it is said that the prisoner drew a stiletto, rushed at Trafeggio, and drew the weapon across his throat. A fierce struggle followed, in which the knife was freely used. The cries of the men alarmed the tenants, who rushed to the scene and drove Sareno away.

He ran down into the yard and opened the door to the street. It is supposed he threw the knife into an outhouse, but the police have not been able to find it. Then he ran through the house into One Hundred and Eleventh street, and up the latter thoroughfare to First avenue, where he ran into the arms of the detectives and Acting Capt. Norton, who were on the way to the scene.

In Harlem Police Court this morning the prisoner pleaded not guilty and was held without bail to await the result of his victim's injuries.

Ex-Assemblyman Van Cott was retained to defend the prisoner. The latter told Justice Talbot that he had stabbed Trafeggio in self-defense. He said the former owed him \$200 instead of \$50, and that when he called last evening Trafeggio quarreled with him.

The prisoner said that Trafeggio drew a revolver and tried to shoot him, but the tenants in the house say that no such weapon figured in the case.

The wife of the dying man was in court. She said that Sareno, just before the fight, had insulted her by endeavoring to induce her to fly with him and forsake her husband.

"If he cannot pay his debts, he can't support his pretty wife," is what the young woman says the prisoner said to her. She would not go with him.

This incident may have assisted in precipitating the fight.

FEMALE PROSECUTOR.

A Boy's Case Against Dr. Hoerber Conducted by a Young Woman.

She Shook a Reporter to Show How the Doctor Handled the Youth.

Alleges that the Accused Is a Disturbing Element in the Neighborhood.

Miss Grizela Raubitschek, a beautiful and stylishly dressed young lady, living at 610 Lexington avenue, acted the part of a prosecuting attorney in the Yorkville Police Court to-day in a case of assault preferred against Dr. Emil Hoerber, sixty-one years old, of 612 Lexington avenue, by Louis Bergman, a half-boy, aged sixteen years, of 430 East Seventy-first street, who is employed at the doctor's residence.

On the evening of Aug. 3, it is alleged that the doctor attacked the boy on the stoop of the house, and after denouncing him as a liar and a loafer, struck him a blow on the neck. The boy, it is said, would have fallen off the stoop but for the timely arrival of the housekeeper, an Mrs. Raubitschek. The latter declared that had not the boy been caught he would have fallen over the railing and met with a serious injury.

Miss Raubitschek denounced the doctor as being on the verge of insanity, and said he is a disturbing element in the neighborhood. She had several witnesses in court to bear out her statement, but they were not called upon to testify, as the case was adjourned until to-morrow. The father prosecutor illustrated in a very realistic manner how the doctor had first shaken the boy and then struck him on the neck, using a reporter to emphasize her illustration, and then begged his pardon, and asked him whether she had hurt him much.

Dr. Hoerber was very excited on the bridge, and although he had engaged lawyer Elias J. Levy to defend him, he did most of the talking himself. Finally Levy wanted to know from the doctor whether he was going to defend his own case. This cooled the doctor, and by mutual request an adjournment was taken.

BOX OF FISH MADE TROUBLE.

Peddler Meisel Says a Policeman Struck His Wife.

Jacob Meisel and his wife, Fannie, of 115 Ridge street, were arrested on a charge of obstructing a sidewalk by Policeman James Fallon, of the Delancy street station, yesterday. Jacob went to the Essex Market Court this morning and said his wife was too ill to appear. Policeman Fallon stated that he found a box of fish in front of Meisel's house, and that Meisel refused to take it away. The policeman says that he then arrested Meisel and his wife, who interfered.

Meisel said that he was a peddler, that the fish came by express, and that he was arrested before he had time to carry it into the house. When his wife interfered Meisel says that the officer struck her.

"All my wife did was to cry 'Shame!' when the policeman kicked my fish into the street," said Meisel.

Meisel's attorney, Edward Meisel, adjourned the hearing of the wife's case until to-morrow. Meisel says that he will prefer charges against Policeman Fallon. The policeman laughed when he heard that Mrs. Meisel was too ill to come to court.

"Why, I saw her peddling fish this morning," he said.

RUN DOWN BY CYGNUS.

Steam Lighter Aeronaut Struck Just Above the Water Line.

A Jagged Hole Six Feet Square Stove in Her Port Side.

Luckily the Iron Steamboat Had but Few Passengers Aboard.

Another steamboat accident was this morning added to the rather long list of similar events that have distinguished the past week.

The Cygnus, which belongs to the Iron Steamboat Company, ran into the Greenpoint Towing Company's boat Aeronaut and stove a big hole in the latter's port side, just forward of the gangway.

Fortunately it was only 7:30 o'clock this morning when the collision occurred, and very few people were on board the Cygnus, which was on an excursion boat, plying between this city and Coney Island.

The accounts of the collision vary. The police of the steamboat squad at pier A say that the Cygnus was coming from its Twenty-second street pier, and was making for pier 1 North River when she struck the Aeronaut. Sergt. Brown says that there were about one hundred persons on board the Cygnus, but they seemed less frightened than interested in the accident.

The other version is that of employees of the Iron Steamboat Company. One of these, who saw the accident, said that the Cygnus was coming from its Communipaw Coal Dock and had no passengers on board.

The Aeronaut, he says, was going up the river, and was within easy hailing distance from the pier when the Cygnus signaled for it to clear the water-line.

"I also yelled to the captain of the Aeronaut, said the employee, but he heeded neither my nor the whistle from the Cygnus. Then came the crash."

The iron prow of the Cygnus tore a hole in the Aeronaut three feet square, six inches above the water-line.

As soon as the latter drifted clear she was towed over to Ellis Island by the lighter Josephine, which also belongs to the Greenpoint Towing Company.

After being pumped out and lightened, the Aeronaut was towed to her dock in Newtown Creek. The damage is estimated at \$500.

The Cygnus was not injured at all and left on time for Coney Island.

Joseph McAllister is the captain of the Aeronaut, and Charles Foster commands the Cygnus.

DR. NIXON DISCHARGED.

Prosecutor Announces Insufficient Evidence to Hold Him.

FLEMINGTON, N. J., Aug. 17.—The case against Dr. Nixon, charged with the murder of an illegitimate child of Miss Hancock, came to an end at noon to-day by Prosecutor Chamberlain announcing that he had finished his investigation, and that the evidence was not sufficient to hold the doctor. Nixon was therefore discharged.

His Wife Had Him Sent Away.

Terrence Keegan, 67 years old, of 448 East Thirtieth street, was sentenced in the Market Court to-day by Justice Feltner in Essex Market Court to-day. His wife, Margaret, said that he kept constantly drunk, and was in the habit of beating her and breaking crockery and furniture. Keegan denied the charge, and claimed to swim, as excusing to get him out of the way, because he was too ill to work.

BIERMAN HEIDELBERG & CO.

Wholesale-Retail Clothiers.

PRICES IN COLD TYPE DON'T PROVE MUCH, BUT OUR STOCK WILL MORE THAN CORROBORATE OUR STATEMENTS, IF YOU WILL COME TO EITHER OF OUR STORES TO SEE.

AT BOTH OUR RETAIL STORES.

ALPHA COATS \$1.00

ENGLISH FANCY DUCK VESTS \$1.50

MOHAIR COATS AND VESTS \$2.25

CLAY'S SERGE COATS \$3.00

ALL-WOOL STYLISH TROUSERS \$2.50

FINE CASSIMERE TROUSERS \$3.50

IMPORTED WORSTED TROUSERS \$4.50

ALL-WOOL BOYS' SUITS (6 to 15) \$2.50

ALL-WOOL BIG BOYS' SUITS (14 to 19) \$5.00

Men's Stylish Suits, Reduced from \$15 to \$9.00

AT BOTH STORES.

OLD HERALD BUILDING, BROADWAY AND ANN ST.

STEWART BUILDING, BROADWAY AND CHAMBERS ST.

BIERMAN HEIDELBERG & CO.

WHAT ARE JERSEY SWEETS? Six good smokers for 10 cents. Should your dealer not have them? See 40 cents for list of 25 manufacturers. CHARLES C. DAVIS & CO., New Brunswick, N. J.

An Evidence of It. (From T4-1012.)

He—Have you ever noticed what simple tastes Mrs. Alton has? She—Goodness, yes! I met her husband to-day.

He Kept His Word. (From T4-1012.)

Willy—Old Dobbs is dead. Nilly—I'm not surprised. More than forty years ago he told a girl that if she refused him he would die, and she did refuse him.

W. TRUESDELL, SPRETER & CO. 24TH ST. YOUR LAST CHANCE! RESPONSIBLE SWEET GOODS BEAR BELOW COST.

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY. 50 dozen Men's Negligee Shirts, made of fine twisted shirtings, with a variety of fancy stripes and colors. These shirts are all full size, extra strong and well finished, with pocket, each shirt; sizes 32 to 17; regular size, each at 29c.

LADIES' UMBRELLAS. 2,000 Umbrellas, 26-inch, paragon frame, made of the finest China, Helvetia Serge, large assortment of the handles, your choice, only one to each customer, at .59. 89c. Cloves at 49c. 100 dozen 4-button Ladies' White Kid Gloves, for this day only, at 49c. \$1.00 Cloves at 69c.

WAISTS AT 19c., 43c. THE LAST OF THE WAISTS. One lot of Chambray Waists, in all colors, and all sizes, with ruffle over shoulder, sold during season at 49c. To close, at 19c.

WRAPPERS AT 29c., 49c. THE LAST OF THE WRAPPERS. One lot of Lawn and Challie Wrappers, with tinted round figures and stripes, latest style shoulder ruffle, worth 79c. To close at 29c.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR. LOT 1—About 20 dozen Ladies' Open Drawers, all sizes, tucks and cambric ruffle, value 39 and 49c., at 25c. LOT 2—Ladies' long skirts, tucked and hemmed, also with cambric ruffle and tucks, worth 59c., at 35c.

MIDSUMMER CLEARING SALE OF OXFORD TIES. Our \$2.50 Ladies' Russet calf, standard heel Oxfords, at .98. Our \$2.00 Ladies' Dongola, at .98. 1 lot Ladies' Patent Leather Oxfords, samples, at .98. 1 lot Ladies' Suede Oxfords, samples, worth \$2.00, at .98. Our \$2.00 Misses' Russet, Spring Heel, Button, 11 to 12, at .79. Our \$1.50 Child's Russet, Spring Heel, Button, 5 to 10-12, at .79. Our \$2.00 Ladies' Russet, High Lace Brocher, at 1.19. Our \$2c. Russet Pinafore, FREE only, to purchasers of Russets, Saturday.

GREAT SATURDAY SALE Toilet and Medicine Dept. Paine's Celery Compound, 59c. Hood's Sarsaparilla, 59c. Carboline Petroleum, 59c. Ayer's Hair Vigor, 59c. Hill's Hair Dye, 39c. Horsford's Peppermint Cure, 39c. Warner's Sarsaparilla, 79c. Carver's Liver Pills, 6c. Oakley's Toilet Talc, 12c. Dr. Lyon's Tooth Powder, 12c. Dr. Sheffield's Paste, 12c. Faint Talcum, 12c. Hulme's Iodine, 34c. Hulme's English Violet, 10c. Hulme's English Vaseline, 37c. Hulme's Opoponax, 47c. Buttercup Soap, the Skin Soap, 10c.

SPECIAL SALE OF HOUSEKEEPERS' SUNDRIES. Silexo Scouring Soap, per cake, 20c. Pearlina, 4-pound package, 30c. Hardwood Toothpicks, 2 packages for 5c. Ammonia, pint bottle, extra strong, 50c. Roll Toilet Paper, 6 pkgs. for 25c. Silver Polish, will not scratch, 5c. Bee-Hive Stove Polish, per bottle, 30c. Spice Boxes, stencilled, each, 1c. Towel Rollers, best make, 7c. Feather Dusters, warranted the best, 13c. Bread Boards, hardwood, ea. 10c. 10-Pin Hat and Coat Racks, each, 15c. Comb and Brush Holders, ea. 15c. Salt Boxes, good size and hardwood, 15c. Bird Sand, silver washed, ea. 3c. Chloride of Lime, 4-lb. pkge. 6c. Condensed Milk Covers, ea. 3c. Water Tumblers, extra strong, each, 3c. Shoe Brush and Dauber, ea. 12c. Oil Cans, to hold 1 gallon, ea. 17c. Table Oilcloth, 1 1/2 yds. wide, per yard, 19c. "Our Own Tea," Oolong, Green, Mixed and English Breakfast, per 4-lb. package, 12c. (One Trial Will Make a Customer.) BOOK OPPORTUNITY. From the American Book Trust Receiver's Sale we offer on Saturday 20,000 VOLUMES NOVELS, including the Lovell's Library and American Authors' Series, at 2c. each. 300 doz. Ladies' Handkerchiefs, fancy borders, each, 3c. All Our Ladies' Cotton and Lace Gloves, pair, 5c.